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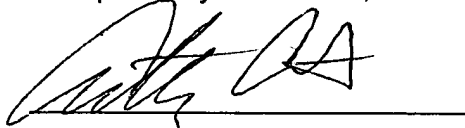
In the subject Office Action, the Examiner required a restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following:

- I. Claims 1 through 9 and 13 through 21 are drawn to a plasma processing apparatus, classified in class 257, subclass 48.
- II. Claims 10 through 12 and 22 through 24 are drawn to performance validation system, classified in class 710, subclass 20.
- III. Claims 25 through 42 are drawn to inspection method, classified in class 438, subclass 18.

The Applicants elect "I. Claims 1 through 9 and 13 through 21, drawn to a plasma processing apparatus...", with traverse.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned in the event that a telephone interview would expedite consideration of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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